

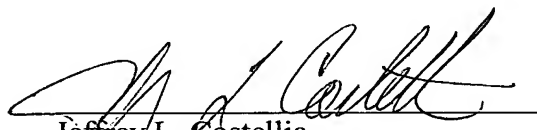
REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of February 22, 2005, Applicants hereby elect without traverse, Group I (Claims 1-44, 48 and 50-69) drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 83.

Claims 17, 39 and 55 are amended in order to clarify the feature of the invention as noted above and claims 45-49 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to file a divisional application directed thereto.

Consideration and allowance of the instant application are now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey L. Costellia
Registration No. 35,483

NIXON PEABODY LLP
Suite 900, 401 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004-2128
(202) 585-8000